

REMARKS

Applicants elect to prosecute the claims of Group I. Claims 1-8 are within this group. Claims 9-13 have been canceled without prejudice to the possible filing of a divisional application.

Favorable action by the examiner is solicited.

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

IN THE CLAIMS

Cancel claims 9-13 without prejudice.

Amend claims 2-8 as follows:

2. (amended) An inner container as [claimed] defined in claim 1, where the cavity between the inner and outer walls is filled with a filler.

3. (amended) An inner container as [claimed] defined in claim 1, where the cavity between the inner and outer walls is filled with concrete.

4. (amended) An inner container as [claimed] defined in claim 1, where the thermoplastic used comprises polypropylene.

5. (amended) An inner container as [claimed] defined in claim 1, where a laminate made from a decorative layer and from a heat-cured layer situated on the decorative layer has also been applied to the thermoplastic of the inner and outer walls.

6. (amended) An inner container as [claimed] defined in claim 1, where, between the thermoplastic of the inner and outer walls and the laminate, there is also an intermediate layer.

7. (amended) An inner container as [claimed] defined in claim 1, where the thermoplastic used also comprises reinforcing materials.

8. (amended) An inner container as [claimed] defined in claim 1, where the inner wall has a wall thickness of from 0.5 to 20 mm and the outer wall has a wall thickness of from 0.5 to 20 mm.

IN THE ABSTRACT

Amend the abstract as shown:

[Inner container for household devices

Abstract]

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Inner containers for household devices in the form of a drum composed of an inner and an outer wall with a shear-resistant connection between the two walls, where both the inner and outer walls have been built up from a thermoplastic. [

]The design of the novel inner container may also be such that the cavity between the inner and outer walls is filled with a filler. A particular thermoplastic used is polypropylene.

COPY OF ALL CLAIMS

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2. (amended) An inner container as defined in claim 1, where the cavity between the inner and outer walls is filled with a filler.

3. (amended) An inner container as defined in claim 1, where the cavity between the inner and outer walls is filled with concrete.

4. (amended) An inner container as defined in claim 1, where the thermoplastic used comprises polypropylene.

5. (amended) An inner container as defined in claim 1, where a laminate made from a decorative layer and from a heat-cured layer situated on the decorative layer has also been applied to the thermoplastic of the inner and outer walls.

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